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1. The following is a partial list of Soviet military rail traffic through Frankfurt/Oder between 20 and 25 December 1950 en route from Brest-Litovsk to the Russian Zone of Germany:
 - a. Nine tank cars of gasoline for the Velton gasoline dump.
 - b. Twenty-one boxcars of ammunition (five to Ketschendorf, two to Lamitzsch, six to Wildau, eight to Wulkow).
 - c. Sixty-eight boxcars of military materiel (thirteen to Muellrose, five to Jueterbog-Altes Lager, twenty-seven to Chemnitz-Hilbersdorf, fifteen to Velten, four to Jessen, four to Strausberg).
 - c. Fifty-two flat cars with trucks, to Koenigswusterhausen.
2. Fourteen boxcars of Soviet troops passed through Guben on their way to Wittstock.
3. On 4 December six antiaircraft guns of about 85-mm. caliber were observed emplaced approximately 400 meters east of the Mittenberg bridgehead, about 25 meters from the Elbe. The guns were surrounded by mounds of earth about 150 cm. high. No fire control equipment was observed. Six trucks were parked in a patch of woods 400 meters east of the emplacement.*
4. Observations on 5 and 6 December disclosed no antiaircraft gun emplacements within the area up to two or two and one-half kilometers from the Elbe and Mulde river bridges at Dessau-Rosslau or at the road and railroad bridges at Torgau. These bridges were all guarded by members of the Volkspolizei armed with carbines.**
5. No antiaircraft guns were observed up to two and one-half kilometers from the Elbe bridge at Barby on 5 December. An engineer unit was quartered in the manor house on Klara Tetlinstrasse. Five pontoons were observed lying on the Elbe bank and five others berthed in the water. About 20 strutted steel structures, three meters long by one meter high, were observed lying near the pontoons.

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6. No antiaircraft guns were observed at any of the Elbe bridges at Magdeburg on 6 December.***
7. Observations between 5 and 9 December disclosed that no antiaircraft guns protected the bridges over the Oder at Kuestrin, or those over the Neisse at Guben and Forst, and that no guns were emplaced on the German side of the Oder at Frankfurt.

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Comments:

- * Manned AA guns emplaced south of the Elbe river have been previously reported.
- 25X1A ** This information should be treated with reservation as it is based on spot observations by [REDACTED]
- 25X1A *** This contradicts [REDACTED] in which it was reported that six emplaced guns were observed on 23 October 1950 at Magdeburg. The [REDACTED] that on 8 November the guns were still there, covered with canvas and emplaced on a slope of the Elbe levee.

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